Housing Diversity Task Force Draft Outline of Potential Strategies

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- 1. City Code Enforcement: Increase accountability for code violations in areas where there is a high concentration of student residents. Explore ways by which these regulations can be followed, as they are reported. The issues reduction task force has detailed recommendations on this matter. As such, we support their recommendations to: Develop an accreditation process for rental property, and use standard/uniform language for leasing contracts.
- 2. Incentivize Graduate students, Faculty and staff to reside in College Park: Quality and inexpensive subsidized housing for graduate students should be available to attract this particular population. The University of Maryland should work with the state to increase funding for subsidized graduate student housing.
- **3. Coop Housing**: Explore ways to relieve County occupancy restrictions on coop housing projects and establish other regulations to help facilitate coop housing. Create a coop housing task force to explore ways to finance coop housing and relieve restrictions on coop housing in College Park. Expand University land lease program to include coop housing.